

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A method for cutting a honeycomb core comprising a plurality of hollow tubular cells, wherein said method comprises the steps of: filling or coating a hollow tubular cell of said honeycomb core with a resin composition that is in a gel state at an ordinary temperature; cooling said resin composition to a solid state; cutting said hollow tubular cell together with said resin composition in said solid state; changing the resin composition from a solid state to a gel state by allowing the resin composition to stand at ordinary temperature or heating said the resin composition to change the resin composition from a solid state to a gel state; and removing said resin composition in said gel state from said hollow tubular cell.
2. (original): The method for cutting a honeycomb core according to claim 1, wherein said resin composition is changed from a gel state to a solid state at -20 to 0 °C.
3. (previously presented): The method for cutting a honeycomb core according to claim 1, wherein said resin composition comprises a water-absorbing resin and water.
4. (previously presented): The method for cutting a honeycomb core according to claim 2, wherein said resin composition comprises a water-absorbing resin and water.